GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA

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CLOSURE OF AYURVEDIC CENTRE BY AI
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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Air India has closed down its alternative medical unit (Ayurvedic Clinic);

(b) if so, the details thereof and reasons therefor;

(c) the number of doctors and other staff working there;

(d) whether the services of all the doctors and other staff working there has been terminated; and

(e) if so, the compensation, if any, paid to the doctors and other staff working in the Ayurvedic Clinic?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI SHRIPAD YESSO NAIK)

(a) & (b): Yes, Sir. The alternative medical clinics, including Ayurvedic clinic, which were started on a trial basis were closed because, administratively, it was very difficult to continue these clinics due to non-availability of qualified para-medical personnel in this field.

(c): Only three Doctors (one each for Ayurveda, Acupuncture and Homeopathy), one person for Acupressure and one storekeeper were working in the alternative medical clinics.

(d) & (e): Yes, Sir. No compensation has been paid to any professionals as they were purely on a contract basis.